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Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

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The above-identified patent application was filed on December 14, 2001, and no communication has been received indicating action on the merits since that time. The undersigned attorney requests the status of the application and the estimated date when a first Office Action on the merits may be mailed.

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